

resource. The need for this element was identified by EPA guidelines and by the Watsonville Urban Greening Planning Committee.

CEQA Compliance. The City will prepare an initial study for the Trails Plan. The Planning Department's active involvement in development of the Urban Greening Plan will ensure compatibility with the General Plan.

The above sections will be compiled into the draft Urban Greening Plan that will be submitted for public review and the State of California Strategic Growth Council for comment. Once comments are received, the Plan will be revised and the Watsonville Urban Greening Plan will be completed. It will then be presented to the City Council for adoption (as shown in the schedule on page 16).

Work Plan - Specific Tasks to be Performed:

Task 1: Urban Greening Plan

- 1.1 Define the Plan's Goals, Objectives & Action Steps
- 1.2 Review & Incorporate Existing Plans & Frameworks
- 1.3 Combine All Sections into Draft Urban Greening Plan
- 1.4 Distribute Draft Plan for Public and State Review
- 1.5 Revise per Comments
- 1.6 Complete Final Urban Greening Plan
- 1.7 City Council Agenda Item

Task 2: Citywide Bicycle & Pedestrian Trails

- 2.1 Identify Areas Suitable for Urban Plazas and/or Pocket Parks
- 2.2 Develop Trails Map with Key Segments
- 2.3 Conduct Public Outreach
- 2.4 Develop Trail Design Criteria
- 2.5 Develop 10% Design Plans
- 2.6 Develop 30% Design Level Plans
- 2.7 Develop 60% Design Plans and Cost Estimates
- 2.8 Planning Workshops (2)

Task 3: Greening/Restoration for Trail Corridors & Adjacent Areas

- 3.1 Determine Greening/Restoration Sites
- 3.2 Prepare Prioritized List of Sites
- 3.3 Prepare Detailed Greening/Restoration Plans
- 3.4 Prepare Cost Estimates
- 3.5 Prepare Vegetation Management & Maintenance Plan
- 3.6 Coordinate with Watsonville Wetlands Watch, City Government

Task 4: Street Trees



- 4.1 Determine Suitable Species and Planting Guidelines
- 4.2 Determine Short- and Long-Term Maintenance Issues
- 4.3 Develop Guidelines for a Citywide Program
- 4.4 Perform GIS Analysis of Tree Canopies & Impervious Surfaces
- 4.5 Develop a List of Priority Neighborhoods
- 4.6 Prepare Specific Plans for Priority Neighborhoods
- 4.7 Coordinate with Homeowners' Associations, Public Works and Utilities Department
- 4.8 Public Outreach

Task 5: Community Gardens

- 5.1 Develop Municipal Program for Community Gardens
- 5.2 Develop Guidelines for Establishing & Sustaining Community Gardens
- 5.3 Identify Suitable Community Garden Locations (5-10 Sites)
- 5.4 Identify locations where the City could provide free water service to the gardens
- 5.5 Prepare a Map of Suitable Garden Locations
- 5.6 Complete Guidelines for Establishing & Sustaining Community Gardens
- 5.7 Public Outreach (including Public Health Agencies)

Task 6: Plant Palette & Landscaping Guidelines & Policy

- 6.1 Develop Plant Palette
- 6.2 Develop Landscaping Guidelines & Policy
- 6.3 Coordinate with Resource Agencies & Other Planning Entities

Task 7: Green Roof & Cool Roof Design Criteria

- 7.1 Develop Green & Cool Roof Design Criteria for New Construction & Retrofits
- 7.2 Post on Website
- 7.3 Perform Outreach to Building Community

Task 8: CEQA Compliance

- 8.1 Complete Initial Study for the Trails Master Plan and Submit for Review

Task 9: Project Management & Coordination

- 9.1 Establish Planning & Advisory Committees
- 9.2 Develop Specifications for Contracted Plan Components
- 9.3 Contract Bid/Award Process(es)
- 9.4 Planning Committee, Steering Committee & Advisory Group Meetings
- 9.5 Coordination with City Government & Partners
- 9.6 Grant Management & Reporting